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Of the Latest in Drama

GOODWIN'E NEW PLAY. As the martyr spy, the hero of Clyde Fitch's new drama, "Nathan Hale," in which he appeared at Hooley's theater, Chicago, last week, Nat Goodwin seems to have convinced all his western critics of his right to be seriously considered in serious role. They also comliment Clyde Fitch most emphatically upon his four act play, with its curious blen of as invented a pastoral love story for his historical hero, and thus provided Mr. Goodwin with an opportunity to inroduce himself in comedy first before ising to the tragic heights that conclude with patriotic martyrdom. Hale is pre ented, according to the Chicago Chron cle, in four aspects: First, as the kindly choolmaster of New London, next as the dignified and heroic officer of revolutionary forces, last as the patriot in whose eyes no sacrifice is too great and who knows his shameful death will be sanctified by the cause for which he ties. The fourth aspect of Hale is that of the impetuous young lover. The crucial test of Mr. Goodwin's fitness for this role lay, of course, in his treatment of Hale as the lover and as the martyr.

In the o pening act Nathan Hale is eaching school in New London, Conn. He is in love with the prettiest lass in he school, Alice Adams (Maxine Elliott. He is given to keeping her in nominally punish her. She returns his love, and the act closes with the plighting of their troth. There is a good deal of innocent, us comedy in this schoolhouse scene The scholars are ardent young patriots, and Alice Adams herself leads the way ly drawing a picture on the blackboard of the British redcoats running away from the Americans-which furnishes Hale with nother excuse for keeping her in. Hale's explanation of his apparent persecution of Alice is cunningly humorous. "I wish," he says, "that life were one long recess and that I could keep you in forever." And again he says: "My love for you has all the kisses the stars have given the sky since the night was

Act two introduces us to the home of Alloe's uncle, an American officer. Colonel Knowlton, on Harlem Heights, Alice Adams is waiting auxiously for news of Nathan Hale, who is now a captain in Knowlton is a fine character, more truly breathing the spirit of 1776 than anyone n the play. Hale arrives and there is charming love scene between Alice and im. Her coquetry and his jealousy are ery humorously set one against the other. There is a council of war to consider Genera Washington'ls request for a volunteer to go into the British lines and spy out their plans of attack. One by ne the officers explain that the name of spy carries with him too much obloquy for them. Still Colonel Knowlton, with deep emotion, pleads for a volunteer. Nathan Hale, who has been sitting in silnce in the rear, walks forward and says: 'I'll be the volunteer!". His sweetheart Alice makes a passionate appeal to him to relent. She even threatens that all love s over between them if he takes his life in his hands as a spy. But Hale stands like a rock-a splendid picture of determination and patriotic devotion. Alice falls to the ground fainting, the officers salute Hale with profound reverence and as he goes out the curtain falls.

In act three Nathan Hale is at work as a spy. At an inn he is recognized by renegade American serving King George, and denounced, but manages o throw off the charge. Fitzroy, who Adams, and to feed his passions for reenge he conceives the idea of sending for the girl to come over to see Nathan Hale, whom he reports wounded. The She comes, but has been warned of Hale's danger. There is a fine situation when Hale and his be-loved Alice are confronted with each other, yet she pretends not to know im. But Fitzroy secretes himself where he can see them, and Hale's impatience to hear if she still loves him reveals the truth. Hale is arrested. Fitzroy tries to embrace Alice. Hale dashes at him, and in the wild struggle not only floors him, but a sentinel besides. Alice and Hale escepes on the latter's herse and the act ends. Grim history steps in, however, with the last act. Hale has been captured and it is his last night on earth. There is the terrible painful parting of Alice and Nathan, and then the audience is transported to the orchard, where the hangsman awalts the The dawn creeps through the apple laden boughs, the drums roll, the Tuesday, February 15. Balcony, Wedness redecats appear, and Hale standing beday, February 16, 3 a. m., Howe's Jeweiry heath the nesse, makes his last speech, the historic one so pregnant with sublime patriotism: but one life to lose for my country!

The scene of parting between Hale and Alice Adams was carried with extraordinary effect by Mr. Goodwin and Miss El-The last scene is said to be a beautiful velw of the old Rutger orchard where Hale was executed. It is a mosterpiece of scene painting by Mr. Ernest Alberr. Maxine Ellioti's sister, Gertrude is reported to have made a hit as a sort of

MONUMENT FOR ABBEY. Mme. Melba has started a movement to provide for a monument to the memory of Henry E. Abbey. She believes that his service to the cause of music and the drama should be commomo rated. Melba will, it is understood, head the list of subscribers with a liberal amount. It is said that all of the jous times, the idea kept in mind being artists who were under Henry E. Abbey's management have been communi-Henry Irving, Mme. Sarah Bernhardt, Modjeska. Mmc. Jane Hading, Mmc. Rejanc, Mounet Sully, Bearbohm Tree, Wilson Barrett, Josef Hofmann. M. Coquelin, Mrs. Langtry, Lillian Russell, Eugen d'Albert and M. Sarusate. Nothing new has transpired concerning er own next year.

CURA SOAP, a single application of Currowna

News of Music and Musicians

PADEREWSKI IS SICK Paderewski has been suffering from an

attack of influenza, and this has delayed opera. He is, however, now better, and, although his projected tours through Scan dinavia and Spain have been abandoned, he will play soon at theh Gewandhaus concert, Leipsic, under the conductorship of M. Nikisch. He will revisit England in May, and his British agent, Mr. W. Adlington, has then arranged a provincial tour for him.

GETTING TO LIKE IT. How fast the world moves! The London Academy declares that in England "the anti-Wagnerite is almost an extinct specles." Five years ago his name was still legion, and fifteen years ago the British Wagnerite hardly existed.

ANOTHER STRADIVARIUS. The Frankfurter Zeitung remarks that "the Duke of Coburg has bought a Stradivarius violin for \$7,000. The price of old Italian violins has gone up considerably in recent years, since the American Senator Hawley of Connecticut bought 500 violins in Italy, for which he is said to have paid \$80,000."

. . . . GOOD MANY OF THEM, What an enormous number of people it akes to run a royal opera house may be inferred from the fact that an address was recently sent to the former director (Jahn) of the Vienna opera, signed by more than 700 persons connected with that

ABOUT AMERICAN MUSIC. When the eminent Boston critic, Mr. Ela, was lecturing recently at Nashville, a reporter interviewed him on the subject of American music, on which Mr. Elson

said, among other things: I have studied much in American na tural music and composers, and I am a firm believer that American music is only southern music. I have often said that the reason "Dixle" is the most characteristic outcome of the war is because you can't set a calico factory or a flour-mill to music, but that southern plantation life is characteristic and poetic, and therefore has its own music. The Indian music is not distinctive American music great deal of other savage music. Southern music is not African music; on the other hand, it has been altogether modifled by surroundings. It is an American growth, no matter what the need may have been. I think that some compose will arise to follow Dvorak's lead, and give the southern plantation music its real classical setting. I have spoken with James Lane Allen and John Fox, jr., on this matter, and I believe that musicians should do for American music what these men are doing for southern types and cus

> MASCAGNI IGNORED.

Some very recent and instructive facts can be collected from the list of operas chosen for the opening of the season at the Italian opera houses, this list being regarded as an excellent barometer of curticeable fact is the complete eclipse of Mascagni and Leoncavallo. Of he 40 them, dividing an evening between "Cavalleria" and "Pagliacci." The musical took 20 years to find out that Wagner was a great composer, nearly all decided a few years ago that those two Italians were fixed stars of the first magnitude; and now, lo, and behold, they have turned out ephemeral comets, as the Evening Post, with its more powerful telescope ing night. Wagner and Poncohielli we represented by three each. Giordano's "Andrea Chenier" had a brief life; it was given at only one house. Poccini's "Boheme" has shown more vitality; it was sung at seven houses. Of French com posers Gounod Rizet Massenet and Saint-Saens were represented. The biggest Italain opera house, the Scala, at Milan remained closed because the municipality withheld the usual subsidy of

WAGNER IN LONDON. Jean and Edouard de Reske are in Pari at present studying-at home, of course for there is no living person who could teach them-the parts of Siegfried and Hagen in Wagner's "Gotterdammerung." in which they are to appear in London cal world of London is already agitated over the coming Nibelung performances ection, and with a cast that is, as the Daily News justly remarks, "the strong been accorded." In addition to the De-Reszkes and Seidl, the list of interpreters includes Ternina, Brema, Nordica, Schumann-Heink, Gadsky, and Emma Eames Van Dyck, von Rooy, Feinhals, Wittikopf, come from Bayreuth and so will the stage manager, Herr Kranach, who is expected will do for the orchestra and the general command. Special attention is, indeed to be paid to the pictorial side of Wag ner's art work. Regarding the time the Daily News remarks:

that the representations are mainly for must be consulted, "Gotterdammerung," for example, will start as early as 4 o'clock on Saturday afternoon in order that, besides the 90 minutes' break for dinner, the performance may be over by 10:10, thus allowing the audience plenty of time for supper before (thanks to our paternal system of government) the "Dus Rheingold" will commence at \$139, and will be given absolutely without break: while the other two operus will start at 5 in the afternoon. The perforof the music will be given quite without cuts. The restrictions as to evening dress will be abolished; but ladies in stalls and sircles will imparativey be required to eave their hats and bonnets in the cloak ival at Covent garden, except to subcribers, will be slightly raised, but the infor seats is already so great that beyond much doubt the house will be sold out. This year it may be recollected there will be no Bayreuth Festival, so that the London performances, given as far as possible under Bayreuth conditions, but with a much stronger cast, will to a certain extent take its place.

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Woman and Her World

GIRL MARINE OBSERVER.

Miss Lillian Small, a pretty 19-year-old girl, is the youngest marine observer in the completion of the long expected Polish the government's employ. Her home, says the New Yory Herald, is on the outer or ocean side of Cape Cod, that great arm of land stretching away seaward from the mainland of Massachu setts. Her low roofed New England cottage stands on a great clay promon tory overlooking the Atlantic, and only 300 feet from a nearly perpendicular cliff which arises 150 fee tabove the sea.

All the ships from the ocean and along the coast of Boston and northern ports pass within a few miles, and Miss Small's duty from subrise to sunset of places." each day is to watch through a big telescope these passing ships, make out their flags and names, and then, every half hour, telegraph the information to the Chamber of Commerce at Boston, where it is used for the benefit of marine interests. Telegraph wires run from her cottage directly into the office of the Chamber of Commerce rooms.

There is also a government telephone line connecting with all the life saving stations along the Cape Cod coast, with a bell in her sleeping room, in case of a marine disaster at night, when she would immediately wire the particulars to the Boston newspapers. This station is to Boston what theh Highlands of Navesink are to NewYork.

. A NURSE DECORATED. France has just bestowed the cross of the Legion of Honor upon Mile. Marguerite Bottard, the eldest nurse in the salpetriere, where she has worked for or years.

Mile, Marguerite Bottard, who has passed her 76th year, was born in the Cote d'Or in 1822. When only 19, on Jan. 12, 1841, she entered the Salpetriere as a nurse in the wards of Dr. Treiat. She became first substitute, then under warden, and finally warden, without leaving this great refuge of misery. She was employed in the care first of the insune of Drs. Fabret and Le Grand du Saulle, and then passed to that of the epileptics, attended by Professors Charcot and Raymond. She is, despite her age, still warden of the clinic of maladies of the nervous system, performing the duties of her position with rare skill.

nally well deserved and bestowed, and it is not the first time that the government has testified its appreciation of Mile. Bottard. The then minister pinned on her black dress the palms of officer of the Aca demy seven years ago.

ROSALIND OF THE ARK. There is a young woman at Stockton. Cal., who wears trousers and lives by herself in an ark on McLeod's Lake. She is known as Beebe Bean. A few years ago some terrible shock deprived her of the power of speech, and now she can only talk through the medium of paper and pencil. This shock is supposed to have had to do with an unfortunate marraige Otherwise, also, her lot has been a sad one; for her family, once rich, became impoverished and then Death struck even harder blows than Fortune.

Nevertheless, Beebe is something of a "Rosalind." She is bright and sunny and very fond of children. With men she chums readily. She says that the men treat her with the utmost chivalry, and no ried, one ever sought to harm her. On this poinnt she writes a little sermon: "Menwell, I can't express myself with the facility I'd like to-but I find them so loyal and true that I can't help loving them all. Living as I do, I am to them the same as children are when going to school chums. Men like to have girls for chums and not always as sweethearts and

. . . . MARRYAT ON MARRIAGE.

If the "mistakes of marriage" could be science of phrenology and physiognomy. January \$67.70. parents and guardians would doubtless welcome their addition, even if to be puid for as "extras," to the modern school currilcum. In a lecture delivered in the French room of the St. James hall last night by Miss Florence Marryat, the utllity of such instruction was strongly the rules were suspended and the ordilikely to enable potential lovers to judge complimentary attributes as would conspeaker took an exceedingly gloomy view of the average status of connubial happiness, and emphatically pronounced that the majority or united couples round marriage to be a failure "worse even than penal servitude, since the convict was at east something left to himself." This alarming state of domestic felicity was, Miss Marryat considered, due to the fact another before the ceremony in church, and too much afterwards. A typical then, in the "often ridiculous and famil honeymoon," the youthful pair quickly exhausted all they had to talk about, not to mention the discovery that their tastes differed in sports and amusements. Some good advice not to meddle, not to be inqui sitive, and not to be jealous followed, but when the lecturess pleaded for a little nore independence which should allow husbands sometimes to spend a few days maccompanied on the moors or in Paris. maliness of their numbers by the vigor of their applause, while the ladies, in a pleased to see the people. errong majority, manifested polite signi of distinct disapproval.

MEN OR WOMEN AS SERVANTS. "Apropos of a statement which I saw in a housekeeper had, partially at least, sol- and bracing; scenery wild and beautiful red the help question by employing a waters unequaled for purity and medic young man in housework, I had an exper- inal qualities; rates reasonable ience today, an account of which may be difficulty in inducing the 'washer fadles' one cent per mile from all stations. An and cleaners to assist thhem in heavy extension of limit of tickets may be obwork," writes a correspondent of the tained by payment to the agent of the

moulder, out of work, and wanted work of Frisco Line. any kind that would help him support his wife and three children. I did not wish the grass cut, but, upon his entreaty for work I asked him if he could do anything about the house. I wished to have a kitcher carpet washed, and, having failed to find kind of washing. I asked him if he would try it. He eagerly assented, got up a large after some superintendence, he success scrubbing the green bricks with soda. Twenty-five cents a bottle. water, cleaning up the cellar, and my vard for her roses. In washing down the

two and one-half hours in it. For this I gave him his dinner, some vegetables, a large package of clothing and 10 cents. He was highly pleased, and thought he was 'in luck the day.' The average working woman would have occupied half a day at least, and the chances are the work would not have been so well done, and his behavior was so perfectly respectful as to offer a pleasant contrast to the demeanor of the majority of our sex. When employed in plain households their condescension is even harder to submit to

than their poor service "I do not wish to decry working women, but their unwillingness to do any but the lightest work, and their air of conferring a favor when doing even that, may yet compel housekeepers to have recourse to the stronger sex to help them over the hard

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Wichita, Feb. 14, 1898. Council met in regular session, Mayor Ross in the chair. All councilmen pres-

ent except Young. Minutes of last regular and adjourned neeting were read and approved as corrected, showing Dickson appointed park enmissioner for two years and J. P.

A written report of the health commitee recommending the acceptance of Thomas Forest's proposition to do scavenger work. On motion of Councilman Schell the report was adopted.

engineer give notice to the property own-Oak street to raise walk up to grade. Car- ply what the public asks for.

empowered to dispose of all matters in Fast Time and Courteons Treatment. reference to license. Claims and accounts were read and re-

ferred to proper committees. A petition for a four-foot permanent was read and on motion of Councilman Schell referred to public improvement

A petition for six-foot cement walk on touth side of Second street from Main to petition was granted and fire property owners given thirty days in which to con

A petition for cement walk five feet wide on north side of Park or Ninth street On motion the petition was granted and the property owners given thirty days in

A petition for cement walk five feet wide on south side of Eleventh street from Lawrence avenue to Main street was read. On motion the petition was granted and the property owners given thirty days in which to construct the peka, Kas, or C. A. Higgins, A. G. P.

Petition to curb and gutter the east side of Topeka avenue from Douglas avenue to south side of lot three, Mead's add, and on west side of Topeka avenue from Douglas avenue to south side of lot six Mead's add, was read, and on motion the petition was granted and the property owners given thirty days to build the

A petition asking that Mend avenue, north of Oak street, be graded four blocks. On motion the petition was referred to the public improvement committee Councilman Herbig moved that the city

cierk advertise for blds for cinder walks on Kellogg from Emporia to Main. Car Report of the sewer committee was read

Hon. E. B. Jewett addressed the council on matter pertaining to the taking of water from the Arkansas river, also asking the mayor and council to meet with the association recently organized to pro-

ellman Minick the invitation was ac Reports on Douglas avenue scales and prevented by a thorough knowledge of the Fourth avenue scales showed receipts for

piaced on file. into the city limits certain property re- 12 noon. One hour quicker than any cently purchased for park purposes, was read. On motion of Councilman Minisk urged, says the London Daily News, as nance placed on its passage and adopted. An ordinance for miscellaneous pur whether each possessed such primary and poses was read and on motion of Council man McLean the rules were suspended, duce to wedded bliss. Sad to relate, the the ordinance was placed on its pussage and adopted.

An ordinance making appropriation fo park improvements was read and on motion of Councilman Scholl the rules were suspended, the ordinance placed on its On motion of Councilman McLean the

bids for cinder walks were opened. They J. P. Furioug, \$2-10 cents per lineal foot. R. L. Babbitt, 8 cents per lineal foot,

S. S. Kensley, 71-4 cents per lineal foot A. L. Laird, 6 cents per lineal foot. On motion of Councilman Minick the

No further business, council adjourned F. ROSS, Mayor. Attest:-H. T. KRAMER, City Clerk.

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